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## AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Non-Final Office Action dated March 14, 2005, under *Ex Parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213, concerning the above-captioned patent application.

Amendments to the Specification are presented on page 2 of this document.

Amendments to the Drawings are presented on page 3 of this document.

Remarks are presented on page 4 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows: